

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is requested in view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks presented herein.

Claims 3 to 6 and 8 to 10 are the claims in the application, all other claims having been cancelled.

Claims 3 to 6 and 8 to 10 were rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite in the expression "arterial complications" since the Examiner was of the opinion that the term was indefinite. The Examiner further objected to the expression "preventing".

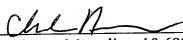
Applicants respectfully traverse this ground of rejection since the amended claims are believed properly define the invention. Claim 8 is now directed to a method of treating atherosclerosis by selecting a patient with atherosclerosis and this a known condition and the claims are now directed to a method of treating this condition and not preventing the same. Therefore, it is believed that the claims clearly comply with 35 USC 112, second paragraph, and withdrawal of this ground of rejection is requested.

All of the claims were rejected under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, as not being based on an enabling disclosure since the Examiner was of the opinion that the claims were not enabling for the expression "arterial complications" and for the method of preventing the same.

Applicants respectfully traverse this ground of rejection since the specification is enabling for the treatment of atherosclerosis. Applicants have clearly demonstrated that in the application as filed and have shown experimental using an art recognized in vitro test for identifying possible treatment of atherosclerosis with four specific compounds falling within the scope of the claims and therefore, the specification is enabling for the present scope and withdrawal of this ground of rejection is requested.

In view of the amendments to the claims and the above remarks, it is believed that the claims clearly point out Applicants' patentable contribution and favorable reconsideration of the application is requested.

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